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SUBJECT: POLISH REACTION TO KISSINGER PRESS CONFERENCE AND  
SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION ON PEACEKEEPING FORCE

1. AT AUSTRIAN NATIONAL DAY RECEPTION TWO PROMINENT POLISH FOREIGN AFFAIRS JOURNALISTS COMMENTED TO THE POLITICAL COUNSELOR THAT KISSINGER HAD BEEN RIGHT IN HIS ASSESSMENT THAT IT WOULD HAVE CREATED A DANGEROUS SITUATION FOR THE US AND THE USSR TO SEND TROOPS TO THE MIDDLE EAST AS A PEACEKEEPING FORCE. THEY COMMENTED THAT THE SITUATION WAS TOO VOLATILW, THE MILITARY SITUATION TOO CONFUSED, AND THE NATIONAL SENTIMENTS ON BOTH SIDES TOO EMOTIONAL TO RISK THE PRESENCE OF EITHER SOVIET OR AMERICAN TROOPS IN A PEACEKEEPING ROLE. THE JOURNALISTS CONCLUDED THAT IT WAS FAR PREFERABLE TO LEAVE THE JOB TO THE NEUTRAL COUNTRIES.

2. AT THE SAME RECEPTION THE DCM WAS TOLD BY A BRITISH COLLEAGUE  
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AND SUBSEQUENTLY BY A POLISH NEWSMAN THAT AN ADVANCE TEXT OF

THE BREZHNEV SPEECH ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED FOR DELIVERY TO THE WORLD PEACE CONGRESS ON OCTOBER 25 HAD BEEN RECEIVED BY THE POLISH INTERPRESS AGENCY BUT LATER WAS EMBARGOED.

3. THE POLISH PRESS HAS REPORTED THE SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION ON THE PEACEKEEPING FORCE BUT WITHOUT ANY INDICATION OF THE POLITICAL TENSION THAT PRECEDED ITS ADOPTION OR OF THE US PARTIAL MILITARY ALERT. HOWEVER, THE POLISH PRESS DOES CARRY QUOTATIONS FROM MALIK'S SECURITY COUNCIL REMARKS TO THE EFFECT THAT HE WAS "AUTHORIZED TO ANNOUNCE THAT IN THE LIGHT OF ISRAEL'S CONTINUED AGGRESSION, THE PROPOSAL OF EGYPT FOR SENDING MILITARY CONTINGENTS OF THE USSR AND THE US TO THE REGION OF THE FIGHTING IS COMPLETELY JUSTIFIED AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE UN CHARTER." POLISH TELEVISION ON OCTOBER 25 AND THE POLISH MORNING PRESS ON OCTOBER 26 ALSO CARRIED AN ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE GOP STATING THAT THE ARABS HAD RESPECTED THE CEASE FIRE BUT THAT ISRAEL HAD NOT, IN CONNECTION WITH WHICH " THE POLISH GOVERNMENT AND POLISH PUBLIC OPINION DECIDEDLY CONDEMN THE AGGRESSIVE POSTURE OF ISRAEL AND INSIST UPON THE RESPECTING OF THE RESOLUTIONS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL." BOTH TV AND THE PRESS HAVE CARRIED THE STORY OF THE OFFICIAL PROTESTS OF THE FRG TO THE USG ON THE USE OF WEST GERMAN PORTS FOR LOADING US MILITARY SUPPLIES FOR ISRAEL.  
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